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The Honorable Michael. O. Leavitt, Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency P.O. Box 1473 Merrifield, VA 22116

ATTN: Chemical Right-To-Know Program - Zinc Hexanoate

Dear Administrator Leavitt:

The chemical included in this test plan is:

The Zinc Hexanoate Panel is providing this test plan as part of the Metal Carboxylates Coalition commitment to the HPV program as specified in the letter from Lynne Jones on May 24, 2004.

136-53-8 Hexanoic acid, 2-ethyl, zinc salt

The sponsoring companies of this category are Akcros Chemicals, Baerlocher USA, Crompton Corporation, Ferro Corporation, OM Group, and The Shepherd Chemical Company.

Attached is a copy of the test plan and supporting robust summaries. Electronic copies are also being submitted to oppt.ncic@epa.gov and chem.rtk@epa.gov.

The technical contact for this test plan is Wendy Koch and she can be reached at (860) 429-0038, or by email at wendykoch@eponallc.com. Administrative questions can be directed to me at (202) 721-4157.

Sincerely, /s/

Lynne Jones Metal Carboxylates Coalition **Executive Director**

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